CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

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Public Notice No. 7-10-50 December 21, 2010

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF FILING OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT
OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION
TO PROHIBIT SEPTIC TANK DISCHARGES IN THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
Town Of Yucca Valley – San Bernardino County

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board) will hold a public hearing to receive comments on, and consider adoption of, a proposed amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for the Colorado River Basin Region, and its supporting draft "substitute environmental document" prepared pursuant to Section 21080.5 of the California Public Resources Code. The proposed amendment will prohibit discharges from septic tanks in the Town of Yucca Valley, San Bernardino County.

The draft substitute environmental document concludes that the proposed amendment will have no significant effects on the environment. The document also includes analyses of socioeconomic impacts, and reasonably foreseeable means of compliance with the proposed amendment. The technical justification for the proposed amendment is provided in a staff report. The public hearing on this matter is scheduled as follows:

Date: March 17, 2011 Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: City Council Chambers

City of La Quinta 78-495 Calle Tampico La Quinta, CA 92253

At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider approval of the draft substitute environmental document and adoption of the amendment as proposed, or as modified as a result of deliberations. Changes made to the amendment, if any, will be consistent with the purpose of the amendment.

The public review period for the proposed amendment, draft substitute environmental document, and staff report will be from December 22, 2010, to February 5, 2011. Written comments or questions on the proposed amendment, draft substitute environmental document, or staff report should be directed to the attention of Jon Rokke at the address above. Mr. Rokke can be reached by phone at (760) 776-8959. Please include the term "BPA Prohibition of Septic Tank Discharges in the Town of Yucca Valley" in the heading of your comments to ensure proper routing. The proposed amendment, draft substitute environmental document, and staff report are available on the Regional Water Board's Internet webpage

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/water_issues/programs/basin_planning/ Copies of these documents may also be obtained by calling (760) 346-7491. In addition, these documents, along with the Regional Water Board's Basin Plan and related materials, may be inspected at the Regional Water Board office, located at 73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100, Palm Desert, CA 92260. The proposed amendment, draft substitute environmental document, and staff report will also be available for viewing at the Yucca Valley Branch of the San Bernardino County Library, 57098 29Palms Highway, Yucca Valley, CA 92284.

The La Quinta City Council Chambers are accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 at least five (5) working days prior to the Regional Water Board hearing. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1 (800) 735-2929 or voice line at 1(800) 735-2922.